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SUBJECT: URUGUAY: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT

U.S. WTO RAW SUGAR TARIFF RATE QUOTA

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- 11. Econoff spoke on April 15 with Leonardo de Leon, President of ALUR (a state-owned sugar producer), regarding reftel request to obtain information on how much sugar Uruguay plans to export to the U.S. under the WTO sugar tariff rate quota (TRQ).
- 12. De Leon indicated that Uruguay currently has no plan to use any of its 2009 sugar TRQ, but said that they will re-analyze the possibility during the next week to determine whether they wish to reconsider. Embassy will provide any follow-up from ALUR should they advise Embassy of an intent to use all or part of their FY 2009 sugar TRQ.

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